

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Claims 1 to 8, 10 and 21 to 25 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. §102(b) as being anticipated by Sarring (U.S. 3,722,336). Claims 9 to 11 and 25 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as being unpatentable over Sarring (U.S. 3,722,336).

Claims 1 and 25 have been amended.

Reconsideration of the application is respectfully requested.

35 U.S.C. §102 (b) Rejections

Claims 1 to 8, 10 and 21 to 25 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. §102(b) as being anticipated by Sarring.

Sarring shows feed, transport and delivery mechanisms for a two-station, three-knife book trimmer. (See col. 1; lines 5 to 7).

As amended claim 1 recites “the moving side table carrying the sheet material article.”

As amended claim 25 recites a similar limitation “the side table carrying the sheet material article.”

Applicants thank the Examiner for the suggested amendments on page 7 of the Final Office Action and respectfully submit claims 1 and 25 are now in condition for allowance.

Withdrawal of the rejections to claims 1 to 8, 10 and 21 to 25 under 35 U.S.C. §102(b) is therefore respectfully requested.

35 U.S.C. §103(a) Rejections

Claims 9 to 11 and 25 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as being unpatentable over Sarring (U.S. 3,722,336).

Sarring is discussed above.

In view of the amendments to claims 1 and 25 discussed above, withdrawal of the rejections to claims 9 to 11 and 25 under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) is respectfully requested.

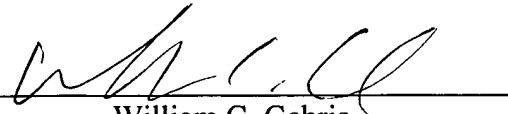
CONCLUSION

It is respectfully submitted that the present application is now in condition for allowance,
and Applicants respectfully request such action.

Respectfully submitted,

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